

To whom it may concern,

I know that the internet seems like the wild west, and that putting more restrictions everyone who uses it may do some good. It really won't. In fact, the fewer restrictions there are on the internet the more an internet culture prospers and the economy thrives. Take South Korea for example, they push for more competition between internet providers and force open lines between all of them. The average bill for South Korean internet is at \$28 compared to more than \$45 here. Not to mention almost 95% of the country is plugged into broadband service and their speeds are 4 times faster than ours. You cannot say that putting restrictions on the national companies will do us good, force them to compete, to make our service better. For them to give us the best service we all need. South Korea's internet explained here:

<http://www.cnn.com/2010/TECH/03/31/broadband.south.korea/>

Not only will these rulings do the complete opposite of what you intend them to be, but they also aren't the "commodity" I think you think they are. The internet is literally a necessity now. Whether it's your office being throttled because of these new changes, or mine, we're all going to suffer for it. Or whether it's free speech being compressed because a company doesn't agree with the standards of a certain site, I guarantee, one day, it will happen to you, and you'll wonder where you went wrong. We're already seeing this, all over. From Youtube and Facebook squashing certain creators, or the government and "fake news," this happens all too quick. To squander free speech is to squander all possibilities of freedom and the pursuit of happiness. And for all those, like myself, who make a living off of internet capabilities, what will happen to us? We'll find a way to survive, but if any of these things come to harm us, let it be known we will denounce everyone who serves to destroy us. And as more and more of us suffer we will rise against these rules, and soon everyone will be "the dark internet." But there will be more of us than there are of you.

Low and behold, I'm just a 20-year old college student out of California, using video games as a way to put myself out there. I already suffer for all the things that I am, female, Asian-hispanic mixed race, and disabled. But I strive everyday to make content that lifts people, and brings them out of their misery of the day, even if it's only for 5 minutes at a time. Don't take what makes me happy away, and don't take it from anyone I help. There is a need for our content, for our community and for the internet, don't take it from me.

